

## Message Text

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SUBJ: GVN NOTE TO PARTICIPANTS IN PARIS CONFERENCE ON THE VISIT OF  
PRG SHIP TO DONG HA

1. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS DRAFTED A NOTE TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE PARIS CONFERENCE ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT. THE NOTE WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE EMBASSIES OF THOSE PARTICIPANTS REPRESENTED IN SAIGON SEPTEMBER 18. DELIVERY TO EMBASSIES OF REMAINING PARTICIPANTS WILL BE EFFECTED IN PARIS AS SOON AFTER SEPTEMBER 18 AS POSSIBLE. GVN EXPECTS TO RELEASE TEXT OF NOTE IN ABOUT A WEEK OR TEN DAYS AFTER SEPTEMBER 18.

2. THRUST OF DRAFT NOTE IS TO CHARGE COMMUNISTS WITH VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 7 AND TO PROTEST PRC VIOLATION OF GVN TERRITORIAL WATERS. IN PRESENT VERSION GVN IN NOTE RESERVES ITS "RIGHT TO TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO DEFEND ITS TERRITORY AGAINST ANY ILLEGAL INTRUSIONS." GVN PROPOSES THAT PARTICIPANTS IN PARIS CONFERENCE "CONSULT AMONG THEMSELVES IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE OCCURRENCE OF ANY FUTURE CASE SIMILAR TO THE SHIP RED FLAG." THE NOTE ALSO CASTIGATES THE COMMUNISTS FOR REFUSING TO COMMUNICATE THE NAMES OF ITS POINTS OF ENTRY TO THE ICCS AND TO DESIGNATE THREE ADDITIONAL POINTS OF ENTRY AS TIPULATED BY ARTICLE 7 OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE.

3. WE WILL TELEGRAPH TEXT OF FINAL VERSION OF NOTE AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.  
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